a slogan for JERRY SOLOMON. It was his attitude towards his fellow Marines, his fellow veterans, his family, his friends, his district, his country, and this House.

We are coming to the end of an era, and this House just won't be the same without him. Well done, JERRY. There's life after Congress. May yours be full and rewarding.

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

HON. JIM GIBBONS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, I insert for the RECORD a proclamation designating September 18, 1998 as POW/MIA Recognition Day in the State of Nevada. The full accounting of all of our servicemen and women abroad must remain of paramount importance to the Nation.

Whereas, today there are 2,118 Americans still missing and unaccounted for from Southeast Asia, including 3 from the State of Nevada, and their families, friends and fellow veterans still endure uncertainty concerning their fate; and

Whereas, we as Americans believe that freedom is precious because it has been won and preserved for all at a very great cost; and

Whereas, few Americans can more fully appreciate the value of liberty and self-government than those Americans who were interned in enemy prison camps as POWs and those who remain missing in action; and

Whereas, the courage, commitment and devotion to duty demonstrated by those servicemen and women who risked their lives for our sake has moved the hearts of all Nevadans: and

Whereas, their dignity, faith and valor reminds us of the allegiance we owe to our nation and its defenders as well as the compassion we owe to those families of the MIAs who daily demonstrate heroic courage and fortitude in the face of uncertainty: now, therefore, I, Bob Miller, Governor of the State of Nevada, do hereby proclaim September 19, 1997, as POW/MIA Recognition Day.

RECOGNIZING THE 75TH BIRTHDAY OF MR. SANFORD GILBERT KAHN

HON. JOHN EDWARD PORTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a special man and one of my constituents on his 75th birthday: Sanford Gilbert Kahn. Mr. Kahn is a veteran of World War II and is truly one of the unsung heroes of that conflict. A 20th Air Force bombardier and weatherman, Mr. Kahn flew thirteen successful missions and was awarded with two medals. Those sorties played an important role in bringing the war to an end. At a time when the movie "Saving Private Ryan" reminds us of the sacrifices of WWII veterans, it is most appropriate to recognize the real-life bravery of men like Sanford Kahn.

I would like to join Sanford Kahn's family and friends in celebrating his 75th birthday and in sending my best wishes for his continuing health and happiness. PITTSTON KNIGHTS HAILED

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. KANJORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the President John F. Kennedy Council 372 of the Knights of Columbus in Pittston, Pennsylvania on the momentous occasion of their 100th anniversary. I am pleased and proud to have been asked to participate in this historic event.

The early years of the Council are not well documented, but it is known that the Council made its home for many years on William Street in Pittston. Activities of the Council were curtailed during World War II due to the low membership as the members went off to war. Around 1947, the Council became more active under the leadership of the newly-elected Grand Knight, John Moran. The Home Association and Fourth Degree Assembly became active in 1948 and membership in the Council expanded to 400. When membership reached 600 in 1955, the members purchased a building, giving the Council its first real home.

The Council's 65th anniversary was noted with a parade; the following year, the Council's name was changed to honor the recently-assassinated John F. Kennedy. An oil portrait of Council's new namesake still hangs on the main floor of the Council's building.

The Knights of Columbus in Pittston have been integral in the social and civic life in the area through the years. It maintains a choir and honor guard and sponsors a Little League baseball team and many other youth-oriented activities. By 1988, official membership in the Council reached 844.

Mr. Speaker, I send my very best wishes to the dedicated community members who donate their time and energy to the Knights of Columbus activities in the Pittston area. Northeastern Pennsylvania is blessed with a commitment to community service and the long history of the Knights of Columbus. Council 372 is a great example of that proud tradition and heritage.

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE JOSEPH M. McDADE, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

SPEECH OF

HON. JOHN JOSEPH MOAKLEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 1, 1998

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my colleague, JOE MCDADE.

JOE MCDADE arrived here 10 years before I did. As he retires this year, the entire country will be the worse for the loss of his service.

In their wisdom, the people of the 10th district of Pennsylvania first elected JOE McDADE to Congress in 1963 and every other year thereafter. After 35 years, JOE will be leaving the 10th district with a proud legacy of accomplishment and service for which he, and his staff, should be very proud.

JOE MCDADE is currently the longest serving Republican on the Appropriations Committee and among the longest serving Representatives in Pennsylvania's history. Since 1965, he has been on the House Appropriations Committee. But, JOE's service merits distinction for its quality as well as its longevity.

When JoE served on the Appropriations Subcommittee for Housing and Urban Development, he created the Rural Housing Guaranteed Loan Program to help people in rural areas buy homes. It was passed into law in 1990 and has grown to become one of the most important ways our government helps rural Americans buy homes. It was passed into law in 1990 and has grown to become one of the most important ways our government helps rural Americans buy homes. This year, JoE MCDADE's law will help more than 50,000 low and moderate income Americans buy homes.

When JOE was the ranking member of the Small Business Committee from 1978 to 1991, he created a small business development center and an applied technology center at the University of Scranton to provide training and technical assistance to small business owners.

JOE has been a distinguished, hard working, kind member of the Appropriations Committee and a Member deserving of the title Cardinal. He has been easy to approach and willing to listen to just about any requests for funding. During his 35 years in Congress, JOE certainly left his mark.

Whoever is elected in his seat will have a very hard time filling his shoes. The 10th congressional district of Pennsylvania is lucky to have had him as its representative and we are lucky to have had him as our colleague.

Mr. Speaker, it has been a great honor serving with JOE McDADE and I join the entire Congress in wishing him well in his retirement.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND IN-FECTIOUS DISEASES

HON. ANNE M. NORTHUP

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mrs. NORTHUP. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to submit a House Concurrent Resolution recognizing and honoring the 50th anniversary of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. An identical resolution is being introduced in the Senate by my distinguished colleague, Senator MACK.

As a member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee with jurisdiction over the National Institutes of Health, I have a great interest in biomedical research and efforts to improve the quality of our public health. In this century, much has been accomplished, including the eradication of smallpox and the neareradication of polio, the control of other infectious diseases such as whooping cough and diphtheria, and improved treatments for diseases of the immune system. We continue to benefit from the development of new diagnostic tools, medicines, and vaccines that have improved the health of citizens in this country and abroad.

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases has been responsible for many of our most important advances. NIAID began as the National Microbiological Institute, formed through the union of the Rocky Mountain Laboratory, the Biologics Control Laboratory, the Division of Infectious Diseases, and

the Division of Tropical Diseases of the NIH. In 1955, Congress renamed the Institute as the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, recognizing the need for a coordinated scientific research program on infectious, allergic, and immunologic diseases.

Research supported by the Institute has resulted in numerous important advances, including the development of vaccines that have prevented the death of millions of Americans, new treatments to fight the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), and novel interventions that have reduced the burden of childhood asthma

Much remains to be done, however. Infectious diseases remain the world's leading cause of death, and the third leading cause of death in the United States, and immune-mediated diseases such as asthma are a leading cause of disability and lost productivity. NIAID continues to lead the way in developing new ways to reduce the toll of these diseases.

I am introducing this resolution today to demonstrate the support of the United States House of Representatives for the NIAID, the NIH, and all of the dedicated professionals who have devoted their lives to improving the quality of the Nation's health.

REMARKS ON THE ATLANTA BRAVES

HON. NEWT GINGRICH

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. GINGRICH. Mr. Speaker, I gladly accept the challenge of my distinguished colleague, DUKE CUNNINGHAM.

While I respect his personal faith about the San Diego Padres, I also know that sometimes faith is not enough. And this year that saying will have to comfort the gentleman from California as he watches the Atlanta Braves win the National League Championship.

My dear Colleague from San Diego offered three reasons for his faith in the San Diego Padres.

I would like to offer my reasons for knowing the Atlanta Braves will win:

- (1) Cy Young award winner John Smoltz is 17 and 3 with a 2.90 era
- (2) Cy Young award winner Tom Glavine is 20 and 6 with a 4.47 era
- (3) Four time Cy Young award winner Greg Maddux is 18 and 9 with a 2.22 era
- (4) Danny Neagle is 16 and 11 with a 3.55 era, and
- (5) Rookie Kevin Millwood is 17 and 8 with a 4.08 era

The Padres may have Greg Vaughn, but the Atlanta Braves have Andres Galarraga with 44 home runs, Javier Lopez and Chipper Jones with 34, and Andruw Jones with 31—not to forget three other players with over 100 home runs.

The Braves' team batting average against the Padres was .259 vs. .209 for the Padres. The Braves outscored San Diego 34 to 29, had 17 more hits, five more home Runs, 3 more stolen bases, and 8 more strikeouts.

And while Tony Gwynn is indeed impressive, he only batted .321 this year, while the Braves starters include Chipper Jones (.313), Andres Galarraga (.305), and Gerald Williams (.305). The Braves also out hit the Padres at almost every position, including pitcher.

Atlanta, the beautiful "capital" of the South, is blessed with many benefits, but having the Braves as their home team is one of the best. It is hard to beat Southern culture and great baseball.

In light of this, I not only accept the distinguished gentleman's challenge, I raise him: If the San Diego Padres win, I will give 100 pounds of fabulous southern BBQ to a homeless shelter in the gentleman's district.

And of course, if the Braves win, I will en-

And of course, if the Braves win, I will ensure that the gentleman from California's seat on the Appropriations Committee is secure despite this direct challenge. Now if the Padres win....

U.S. NEEDS FAST TRACT AUTHOR-ITY TO REMAIN GLOBAL LEADER

HON. JIM RAMSTAD

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. RAMSTAD. Mr. Speaker, two weeks ago I spoke before this House in favor of renewing fast track trade authority for the President. I called for my colleagues to choose statesmanship over politics and vote for this important legislation simply because it is the right thing to do and they know it.

I was deeply saddened that we did not have the support of the White House and many key Democrats in that fight—Democrats who typically understand the importance of fast track for opening new markets for U.S. farmers and exporters. I was saddened they were too concerned about the timing of passing the legislation and not the fact that their constituents need it, America's farmers need it, small businesses need it and consumers need it.

Mr. Speaker, I am more than saddened today. I am completely perplexed and frustrated. Yesterday, President Clinton spoke before International Monetary Fund and World Bank officials and called for expanded trade for next year and strategies to spur economic growth. I am very glad to hear him say these things, but his speech is a bit hypocritical.

It moves me to ask why the President will promote fast track authority renewal in January and wouldn't just two weeks ago? How is it the President can say it is "inexcusable and reckless to hold up [IMF] money based on other issues at a time when the world needs U.S. leadership?

President Clinton's failure to be engaged in the recent fast track debate directly contributed to its demise at a time when U.S. exporters needed his leadership—and the international economy needs U.S. leadership. I want my constituents to know that I have concerns about IMF funding because of, in the words of my colleague from Florida, Rep. STEARNS, "the countless evidence of the malfeasance and mismanagement of IMF."

Mr. Speaker, my concerns have nothing to do with what time of the year it is or because certain advocacy groups have threatened political ramifications. My concerns have to do with pure policy issues and a true desire to see U.S. taxpayer dollars used appropriately.

And on the issue of taxes, I don't think I could say it better than Senator ROTH: "Why should we expect Japan to push through a KEMP-ROTH style tax reduction . . . when the White House opposes any domestic tax rate cut that would spur growth?"

Mr. Speaker, I am disappointed that politics have replaced real leadership at the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue. America needs to be a strong leader out in the global market place. We need to set the parameters of debates and make sure we are included in market access agreements that would benefit our farmers and businessmen and women. America needs fast track trade authority and a President who truly wants it.

TRIBUTE TO RICHARD K. BOYD, JR.

HON. ED WHITFIELD

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. WHITFIELD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a friend and distinguished former Kentuckian, Mr. Richard K. Boyd, Jr., who is retiring this month after 32 years of dedicated service with Westvaco Corporation.

As Manager of Government Relations and various executive capacities during his career at Westvaco, Mr. Boyd diligently exercised his professional stake in civic affairs. As a private citizen of Kentucky for 24 years, he faithfully demonstrated his deep sense of personal responsibility for civic involvement.

For much of his career, Dick Boyd lived and worked in Wickliffe, Kentucky, where he and his wife Malinda raised their three daughters—Anne, Gretchen and Rebecca. His arrival in Wickliffe pre-dates the Westvaco Fine Papers mill, a major employer and contributor to the economic development of western Kentucky. The growth of the mill and the company's good relationship with the community and the Commonwealth of Kentucky are a part of the legacy of Dick Boyd's career and his life in our state.

In 1988, Dick served in Kentucky State Government as Deputy Secretary of the Cabinet for Economic Development, His dedication to family, friends and neighbors is worthy of recognition.

Dick Boyd has performed his duties representing Westvaco and its operations in the First Congressional District of Kentucky with honest and integrity. He is a valued friend and a good citizen whose national corporate responsibilities have never diminished his concern for and dedication to the economic and civic progress of the people of western Kentucky. On their behalf, I take this opportunity to congratulate Richard K. Boyd, Jr. on his successful and distinguished career and extend best wishes for his retirement.

TRIBUTE TO DR. MARY P. SMITH, AN ARDENT LEMONADE MAKER

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, if we are lucky we have come in contact with a person who instinctively makes lemonade out of the lemons of life. There is such a woman in my district who is being honored on Thursday, October 8. She is Dr. Mary Smith. Thirty years ago Dr. Smith saw a need for day care programs in